

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-6 (canceled)

Claim 7 (currently amended):       The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 4 ~~8~~, wherein internal threads formed in the child-resistant cover engage external threads formed on the nozzle to permit the cover to be threaded onto the nozzle.

Claim 8 (currently amended):       A child-resistant fluid delivery device, comprising:

a container for storing fluid to be dispensed by the fluid delivery device;

a wand having a proximal end, a distal end and a fluid passageway therethrough;

a nozzle at the distal end of the wand; and

a removable, child-resistant cover for sealing the nozzle, the child-resistant cover including at least one rigid tab inwardly projecting into an interior region of the child-resistant cover to resist removal of the cover from the nozzle;

~~The child resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 7, further comprising a second~~ first ratchet mechanism having a plurality of ratchet teeth formed along the circumference of the wand ~~assembly~~, the ratchet teeth engaging the at least one ~~rigid tab~~ inwardly projecting tab ~~into an interior region of the child-resistant cover~~, the ratchet teeth being configured to permit rotation of the cover relative to the nozzle in a first direction that permits attachment of the cover onto the nozzle and to prevent rotation in an opposing direction to resist removal of the cover from the nozzle.

Claim 9 (original): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, wherein the at least one inwardly projecting tab may be disengaged from the ratchet teeth by deforming the child-resistant cover to permit rotation of the cover relative to the nozzle in the opposing direction to remove the cover from the nozzle.

Claims 10-25 (canceled)

Claim 26 (currently amended): The wand assembly according to claim ~~20~~ 27, wherein internal threads formed in the child-resistant cover engage external threads formed on the nozzle to permit the cover to be threaded onto the nozzle.

Claim 27 (currently amended): A wand assembly for a child-resistant fluid delivery device that includes a container for storing fluid to be dispensed by the fluid delivery device, the wand assembly comprising:

a tube having a proximal end, a distal end and a fluid passageway therethrough;

a nozzle at the distal end of the tube; and

a removable, child-resistant cover for sealing the nozzle, the child-resistant cover including at least one rigid tab inwardly projecting into an interior region of the child-resistant cover to resist removal of the cover from the nozzle;

~~The wand assembly according to claim 26, further comprising~~ a ratchet mechanism having a plurality of ratchet teeth formed along the circumference of the tube, the ratchet teeth engaging the at least one ~~rigid tab~~ inwardly projecting tab ~~into an interior region of the child-resistant cover~~, the ratchet teeth being configured to permit rotation of the cover relative to the nozzle in a first direction that permits attachment of the cover onto the nozzle and to prevent rotation in an opposing direction to resist removal of the cover from the nozzle.

Claim 28 (original): The wand assembly according to claim 27, wherein the at least one inwardly projecting tab may be disengaged from the ratchet teeth by deforming the child-resistant cover to permit rotation of the cover relative to the nozzle in the opposing direction to remove the cover from the nozzle.

Claims 29-60 (canceled)

Claim 61 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, further comprising a child-resistant connector at the proximal end of the wand for connecting the wand to the container.

Claim 62 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 61, further comprising a second ratchet mechanism formed on the exterior of the child-resistant connector to permit attachment of the connector to the container and thereafter resist removal of the connector from the container.

Claim 63 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 62, wherein the second ratchet mechanism comprises a plurality of ratchet teeth formed about the perimeter of the child-resistant connector for engaging at least one rigid tab formed on the container, the teeth being configured to permit movement of the child-resistant connector relative to the container in a first direction and to resist such movement in an opposing direction.

Claim 64 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 61, wherein the container includes an externally threaded spout for engaging internal threads formed within the child-resistant connector.

Claim 65 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, wherein the fluid passageway in the wand provides a fluid communication path for fluid to pass from the container to the nozzle.

Claim 66 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, further comprising a valve for controlling the flow of fluid through the wand.

Claim 67 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 66, wherein the valve is movable from a first position that prevents the flow of fluid through the wand to a second position that permits the flow of fluid through the wand.

Claim 68 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, wherein the nozzle is formed integrally with the distal end of the wand.

Claim 69 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, wherein the nozzle is threaded onto the distal end of the wand.

Claim 70 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, wherein the child-resistant cover is tethered to the wand.

Claim 71 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, further comprising a pump for pressurizing the fluid within the container.

Claim 72 (new): The child-resistant fluid delivery device according to claim 8, wherein the fluid within the container is pressurized by squeezing the container.

Claim 73 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, further comprising a connector at the proximal end of the tube adapted to connect the wand assembly to the container.

Claim 74 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 73, further comprising a second ratchet mechanism formed on the exterior of the connector for permitting attachment of the connector to the container and thereafter resisting removal of the connector from the container.

Claim 75 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 74, wherein the second ratchet mechanism comprises a plurality of ratchet teeth formed about the perimeter of the connector for engaging at least one rigid tab formed on the container, the teeth being configured to permit movement of the connector relative to the container in a first direction and to resist such movement in an opposing direction.

Claim 76 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, further comprising means for connecting the wand assembly to the container.

Claim 77 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 73, wherein the connector includes internal threads for engaging external threads formed on the container.

Claim 78 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, wherein the fluid passageway in the tube provides a fluid communication path for fluid to pass from the container to the nozzle.

Claim 79 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, further comprising a valve for controlling the flow of fluid through the fluid passageway.

Claim 80 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 79, wherein the valve is movable from a first position for preventing the flow of fluid through the fluid passageway to a second position for permitting the flow of fluid through the fluid passageway.

Claim 81 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, wherein the nozzle is formed integrally with the distal end of the tube.

Claim 82 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, wherein the nozzle is threaded onto the distal end of the tube.

Claim 83 (new): The wand assembly according to claim 27, wherein the child-resistant cover is tethered to the tube.